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Sir:

Prior to examination of the application referenced above, please amend the application as indicated hereinafter:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, lines 12 through 22, please replace the last two paragraphs containing cross-reference information with the following paragraphs which contain updated cross-reference information:

This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/717,162, filed on the same day herewith entitled "Fast Database State Dumps to File for Deferred Analysis of a Database", by inventors Vikram Joshi, Alex Tsukerman, and Shari Yamaguchi (Attorney docket number 50277-379, OID 1999-173-03), the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/717,161, filed on the same day herewith entitled "A Debug and Data Collection Mechanism Utilizing a Difference in Database State By Using Consecutive Snapshots of the Database State", by inventors Vikram Joshi, Alex Tsukerman, and Shari Yamaguchi (Attorney docket number 50277-380, OID 1999-173-04), the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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